

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of displaying a video image of at least a portion of a virtual patient, the method comprising:

accessing ~~identification of~~ a video file, the video file comprising a series of video images that depicts virtual patient features over a range of said features;

determining an offset into the video file, the offset corresponding to one of the series of video images the offset determined based on a relation of a determined current virtual patient state relative to the range of said features; and

presenting the one of the series of video images corresponding to the offset.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the video file comprises a motion JPEG (Joint Pictures Experts Group) file.

3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the virtual patient features comprise at least one of the following: age and weight.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, ~~further comprising receiving a range of values, and wherein determining an offset comprises determining an offset based on a relation of virtual patient state data relative to the received range of values~~ wherein the current patient state is a current value of a variable that presents the series of video images corresponding to the variable of the patient in a manner that slowly morphs the image for that variable of the patient to present smooth and gradual changes in the virtual patient.

5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the video image comprises a video that morphs an image of a virtual patient from slim to heavysset.

6. (Currently Amended) A computer program product, disposed on a computer readable medium, for displaying a video image of at least a portion of a virtual patient, the program including instructions for causing a processor to:

access ~~identification of~~ a video file, the video file comprising a series of video images that depicts virtual patient features over a range of said features;

determine an offset into the video file, the offset corresponding to one of the series of video images, the offset determined based on a relation of a determined current virtual patient state relative to the range of said features; and

present the one of the series of video images corresponding to the offset.

7. (Original) The computer program of claim 6, wherein the video file comprises a motion JPEG file.

8. (Previously presented) The computer program of claim 6, wherein the virtual patient features comprise at least one of the following: age and weight.

9. (Currently Amended) The computer program of claim 6, ~~further comprising instructions that receive a range of values, and~~ wherein the current patient state is a current value of a variable of the patient, and the instructions that determine an offset comprise instructions that ~~determine an offset based on a relation of virtual patient state data relative to the received range of values~~ determines the series of video images corresponding to the variable of the patient in a manner that slowly morphs the image for that variable of the patient to present smooth and gradual changes in the virtual patient.

10. (Previously presented) The computer program of claim 6, wherein the video image comprises a video that morphs an image of a virtual patient from slim to heavysset.

11. (Previously presented) A method of displaying a video image of at least a portion of a virtual patient, the method comprising:

accessing identification of a video file, the video file comprising a series of video images that depicts a virtual patient feature over a range corresponding to changes in the virtual patient feature, the offset determined based on a relation of a determined current virtual patient state relative to the range of said features;

determining an offset into the video file, the offset corresponding to one of the series of video images; and

rendering the one of the series of video images corresponding to the offset.

12. (Previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein the video file comprises a motion JPEG (Joint Pictures Experts Group) file.

13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein the virtual patient feature comprises age; and wherein the range corresponding to changes in the virtual patient feature comprises corresponding to changes in the virtual patient feature based on changes in age.

14. (Previously presented) The method of claim 13, wherein the video file comprising a second series of video images that depicts a second virtual patient feature; and  
wherein the second virtual patient feature comprises weight.

15. (Previously presented) The method of claim 11, ~~further comprising receiving a range of values, and~~ wherein the current patient state is a current value of a variable of the patient and determining an offset ~~comprises determining an offset based on a relation of virtual patient state data relative to the received range of values~~ determines the series of video images corresponding

to the variable of the patient in a manner that slowly morphs the image for that variable of the patient to present smooth and gradual changes in the virtual patient.

16. (Previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein the video image comprises a video that morphs an image of a virtual patient from slim to heavyset.